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### Sensitive sniffer detects concealed contraband

Sciex of Thornhill, Ontario, a world leading company in vapour sensing technology, is developing an electronic-nosed "supersniffer" called the AROMIC Cargo Examination System, to detect contraband material sealed in legitimate land, sea and air freight cargo containers.

To illustrate the device's sensitivity, Sciex's vice-president of marketing, Neil Reid, said it could detect one drop of alcohol allowed to diffuse throughout the Astrodome in Houston, Texas, if the stadium were completely sealed. But the AROMIC, can also be used to detect other contraband including weapons, explosives and drugs.

The growth of sealed containers used to transport goods has made detection of contraband extremely difficult said Jim Reynolds, vicepresident and general manager of Sciex.

In most countries, cargo is examined manually, by X-rays or with dogs trained to sniff out drugs and other contraband. Manual inspection involves time for unpack-

ing and repacking containers and produces the problem of damaging goods, as well as delay to cargoes.

With the computerized AROMIC, two people can examine between 20 to 40 standard cargo containers an hour, without opening them.

### Government backing

To assist in developing the AROMIC, the company has received a \$3.1-million federal grant from the Defence Industry Productivity Program. The grant will supplement the cost of developing the sniffer, which Mr. Reynolds expects to reach \$9.1 million and take between four and five years to complete.

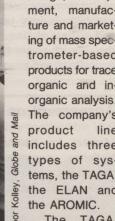
Under the federal agreement the government will receive 3 per cent of revenues from units sold between November 1, 1989 and October 31, 1994.

Mr. Reynolds said sales are expected to total \$150 million over the next nine years. Each unit costs between \$1 million and \$3 million.

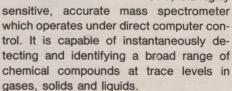
### Spectrometer based products

Sciex, a division of MDS Health Group Limited, a Canadian company, was formed

> in 1970 and is involved in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of mass spectrometer-based products for trace organic and inorganic analysis. The company's product line includes three types of systems, the TAGA, the ELAN and the AROMIC.



The TAGA. first introduced by the company in 1975, is a highly



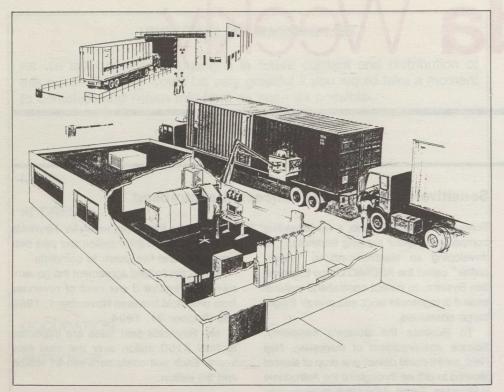
This TAGA system has been used to analyze common environmental pollutants such as tetrachlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins (TCDD), fragrances and flavours, carcinogens in foods and beverages and materials characterization, as well as trace detection and identification for lethal vapours of military significance. It is



General Manager James Reynolds (left) and vicepresident Neil Reid check a Sciex "supersniffer".

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AROMIC device can scan up to 40 containers an hour for contraband.

available in a laboratory version as well as a mobile version for on-site analysis.

The ELAN provides a unique method of convenient and rapid isotopic dilution that can be used to analyze about 90 per cent of the elements in the periodic table. This capability is very useful for geochemical and nuclear studies, as well as facilitating the use of stable isotopes in nutritional, agricultural and biomedical areas.

The AROMIC Cargo Examination System is a more sophisticated version of the company's TAGA system. It can detect and identify specific contraband materials through advanced vapour detection methods.

The AROMIC detects contraband in closed containers or vehicles by sampling the air around the cargo shipment. Part of the sniffer is housed inside a concrete building. The "nose" inhales odours through

the container walls for 60 seconds and passes the vapour into chambers where they are identified and measured. A video display terminal inside the building displays the name of the drug or contraband.

The device is kind of a mass spectrometer that can detect alkaloids, the main substance used in most illegal drugs, or nitrates, the main ingredient in explosives. It can sense even minute traces of the chemicals sealed in containers.

#### **British connection**

To market the AROMIC internationally, Sciex has entered into a partnership with a British consortium headed by British Aerospace Dynamics Group. Under the partnership, the Sciex sniffer will be incorporated into the British Aerospace cargo surveillance system, which uses high energy X-rays to detect contraband.

The combination of these two complementary, computer-controlled screening techniques will be used to examine cargo containers as they pass through a purposebuilt facility.

"Our partnership with the British Aerospace group gives Sciex and the AROMIC access to an international distribution system. Two systems have already been sold in the Middle East for delivery in early 1986," said Mr. Reynolds.

Mr. Reid expects many of the first customers to be from countries in the Middle East. "They're driven by a serious fear of terrorist acts spilling over from the Iran-Iraq war," he said.

### Agreement on beef exports

Minister for International Trade James Kelleher announced recently that an agreement has been formally signed with the European Economic Community (EEC) on the restrictions to be applied to EEC shipments of beef and veal to Canada in 1985.

Under the terms of the agreement, Canada will permit imports of up to 10 668 tonnes of EEC beef and veal in the calendar year 1985. This level is 55 per cent below Canadian imports from that source in 1984, and as much as 70 per cent below expected EEC sales in the current year.

To minimize any potential disruptive effect of these imports on the Canadian beef market, the agreement has provisions to ensure that shipments are made on an orderly basis and that EEC procedures for establishing the level of export subsidies will take into account Canadian prices for equivalent quality meat.

### Nuclear co-operation agreement with Turkey

Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark, announced the signing on June 18, of a nuclear energy co-operation agreement between Canada and Turkey.



Joe Clark

The Agreement for Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy was signed in Ankara by the Canadian ambassador to Turkey, Gilles Mathieu, and the Turkish foreign minister, Vahit Halefoglu.

The agreement envisages co-operation

in developing nuclear energy for peaceful purposes in such areas as the supply of CANDU reactors to Turkey, the supply, exploration and development of uranium, the implementation of joint nuclear research projects and the application of nuclear

energy for use in such fields as agriculture, industry and medicine. It also facilitates exchanges of experts, technicians and specialists related to the development of nuclear energy, as well as the provision of technical training.

#### International safeguards

In their commitment to the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices, Canada and Turkey had ratified the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and placed all their nuclear facilities, current and future, under international safeguards applied by the International Atomic Energy Agency. The Agreement for Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy recognizes their important mutual commitment and carries a provision for the continuing application of safeguards in the event that the agency is no longer able to carry out its safeguarding functions.

### Innovative furniture: NY fair indicates increased interest

Canada's young, contemporary ready-to-assemble (KD) furniture industry, which was well represented at the K-Design International Show held in New York City, June 27-30, was greeted by marked interest from visitors to the national stand sponsored by the Department of External Affairs.

Canadian KD furniture is recognized in North American markets for its imaginative design, built-in quality, precision fit components, ease of assembly, and excellent value.

In Canada, the innovative KD concept was introduced some ten years ago and the industry has already captured 5 per cent of the Canadian furniture market. It is expected to increase its share to 20 per cent over the next decade.



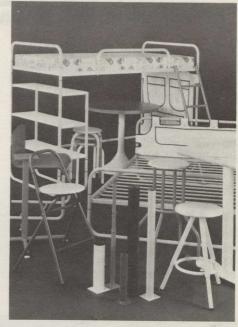
Accessories by Evangeline are made to complement contemporary furniture.

The KD concept of furniture design is growing in popularity in the North American market because of its versatility, economy, convenience and excellent choice of options. It allows the consumer to add on pieces, change the configuration of existing components, or replace facings to achieve a new decorative effect. It is ideal for growing families.

Included in the Canadian collection at the trade show in New York were sofabeds with luxurious futons and solid pine frames; tubular furniture that assembles without screws; home electronics furniture; fourposter beds of pine; sculptured ceramic lamps; and a selection of contemporary wall units and entertainment centres.

The companies that participated were:

- Annecy Inc. of Montreal, Quebec sofabeds with matching tables in pine;
- Bazz Inc. of Dorval, Quebec modern lamps and lighting products;
- Decor Wood Furniture of Penticton, British Columbia — contemporary furniture with kilndried solid wood frames;
- Design Plus of Montreal sofas, sofabeds, love seats and chairs on doubledowelled hardwood frames:
- Evangeline Decorative Accessories Inc. of Montreal sculptural ceramic designs in lamps, vases, clocks and trays;
- Fournier Stands Manufacturing of Canada Limited of Winnipeg, Manitoba — accessory furniture;
- Jean Bergeron Limited of Saint-Gabriel-de-Brandon, Quebec — wide line of kiln-dried maple furniture;
- Jean-Paul of Prud'homme, Saskatchewan
- rigid frame modules and a broad range of



The Attitube furniture collection by Mechtech Industries slip-fit together and lock in place with hand pressure.

facings, interchangeable panels, tops, shelves, drawers and doors;

- La Boiserie of Laval, Quebec modular and kit furniture;
- Mechtech Industries of Richmond, British Columbia Attitube line of tubular furniture;
- Ridgewood Industries Limited of Montreal
  audio and video furniture as well as contemporary wall units and occasional furniture;
- Scanway Corp. of Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu,
  Quebec modular Ultima system;
- Spindaleer Wood Products of Chilliwack, British Columbia — pine, four-poster bed kits; and
- Three H Manufacturing Limited of New Liskeard, Ontario — easy-to-assemble Multi-Flex modules.



Upholstered loveseat by Decor Wood Furniture offers a durable frame easily bolted together and upholstery in a choice of easy-care fabrics.



Jean Bergeron's Maskit collection in kiln-dried, solid maple has a contemporary styling to suit any room or lifestyle.

### External relations minister visits Central America

Minister for External Relations Monique Vézina was in Central America, June 2 to 9, on official visits to Costa Rica, Nicaragua and El Salvador, where she met with leaders in each country and discussed bilateral and multilateral issues of mutual concern. She confirmed Canada's support for the search for a peaceful solution to the problems and conflict in Central America, particularly with respect to the Contadora peace initiative.

As the minister responsible for the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Mrs. Vézina discussed Canada's development assistance and other programs for the region. As well, she visited a number of projects linked to Canada's aid program and signed a number of new agreements to further Canadian development co-operation with Central American countries.

### Costa Rica accords

In Costa Rica, June 3 to 4, Canada's minister of external relations met with Vice President Armando Arauz and the country's minister of external relations, Carlos Jose Gutierrez. A number of accords were signed by Mrs. Vézina: the two major ones were for an agricultural line of credit and the provision of scholarships for Costa Rican nationals to study in Canada.

The first accord, designed to increase agricultural productivity, provides for a \$14.9 million line of credit for the purchase of Canadian fertilizers. It is the third line of credit which Canada has arranged with Costa Rica for the purchase of fertilizer. The first amounted to \$3 million, the second was for \$12.3 million.

"This line of credit, administered by CIDA,



Mrs. Vézina with José Napoleon Duarte, president of El Salvador.

is designed to assist that country to achieve longer term economic stability by reducing the pressure exerted by the balance of payments deficit," said Mrs. Vézina.

The fertilizer will be purchased by FERTICA, an agency of the government of Costa Rica, and subsequently resold to farmers at market prices. The revenue from the sales will go into a fund for the construction of rural housing.

Mrs. Vézina explained that Costa Rica has an urgent need to construct approximately 50 000 dwellings, particularly in rural areas, in order to stem the exodus of workers into the cities. She noted that the minister of planning for Costa Rica had

specifically requested that Canada allocate these funds for the construction of rural dwellings in the form of support for the agriculture sector.

In the second major accord signed by the minister, CIDA will finance, through a contribution of approximately \$3 million, a program of bursaries for study in Canada. These bursaries will be spent for the training and development of human resources in the agriculture sector, which is a priority in Costa Rica's development plan.

### Power station in Nicaragua

Mrs. Vézina met with President Daniel Ortega and other top government and private sector leaders during her visit to Nicaragua, June 5-6.

Economic and peace issues were of major concern. Nicaragua moved its foreign trade office to Toronto, Ontario from Miami after US President Ronald Reagan announced an embargo on US-Nicaraguan commerce on May 1.

During the visit, Mrs. Vézina signed a \$11.1 million line of credit for purchase of Canadian equipment for the construction of a geo-thermal power station in Nicaragua. The line of credit will enable Nicaragua to acquire Canadian piping products and steam-collecting components, refrigeration units and supplies for the electrical system.

The plant, located near the Momotombo volcano in Leon province, will draw energy from natural geo-thermal sources and convert it into electricity. It is expected to increase electrical production in Nicaragua by 35 megawatts and provide an important substitute for oil imports. The power station, which opened in 1983, is the largest such operation in Central America.

Mrs. Vézina said at the signing ceremony



Canada's minister of external relations is warmly greeted in Costa Rica by Vice President Armando Arauz.



Mrs. Vézina and Nicaragua's Minister for External Co-operation Henry Ruiz sign an economic co-operation agreement.

that the economic-co-operation agreement "constitutes for us a contribution to development and peace".

The project is being co-financed by Italy, France, Nicaragua and Canada, and is being co-ordinated by the Inter-American Development Bank. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$64 million (Cdn).

### Co-operation with El Salvador

In meetings between Mrs. Vézina and President José Napoleon Duarte and members of his government in El Salvador, June 7-8, challenges facing El Salvador and ways in which Canada can assist current Salvadoran efforts through a program of co-operation were examined. Both delegations explored the possibilities of increasing commercial exchanges between the two countries.

On June 7, Mrs. Vézina transmitted a letter of intent to President Duarte informing him of the resumption of Canadian bilateral assistance in El Salvador. Initially, the program will begin with a line of credit valued at \$8 million, which will be used to create a special fund in local currency. This fund will be used to finance projects for persons displaced by the war and for other groups in need. In addition, Mrs. Vézina confirmed financial support for the many volunteer organizations working with these target groups.

Some Canadian development projects in the Chalatenango area and a centre for displaced persons in the district of San Martin in San Salvador were visited by Mrs. Vézina. She also met with the Archbishop of San Salvador, the most reverend Rivera Y. Damas.

# **Embassy closes in Beirut**

Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark recently announced the government's decision to withdraw provisionally all Canadian staff from the embassy in Beirut. The ambassador, Jacques Noiseux, together With his personnel, left Lebanon on June 14.

Canada's essential interests in Lebanon are now the responsibility, on an interim basis, of the Canadian embassy in Jordan.

In the announcement, Mr. Clark emphasized that the decision had been taken only after very careful consideration of the Serious risks to which Canadian staff were exposed by keeping the embassy operating, given the difficult conditions which prevail in Lebanon. He stressed that Canada would continue to strongly support the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Lebanon, and the well-being of its people and will persist in encouraging all appropriate international efforts to bring to a conclusion the recurrent violence in Lebanon.

# International trade talks set for Canada

Minister for International Trade James F. Kelleher will host a quadrilateral trade ministers meeting in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario from July 11-14. It will be the second meeting this year of the ministers responsible for trade of the quadrilateral group,



James Kelleher

which includes the European Community, Japan, the US, and Canada. The previous meeting was held in Kyoto, Japan in early February.

Participants will include US Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter, Commission of the European Communities responsible for External Relations member Willy de Clercq, and Japan's Minister for International Trade and Industry Keijiro Murata. They will review the international trading situation and the issues involved as well as the preparations for the new General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade round of the multilateral trade negotiations, including the timing, objectives, substance and modalities for the negotiations.

Ministers responsible for international trade of the United States, the European Community, Japan and Canada have met regularly since 1982.

# Increase in March 1985 retail trade over the 1984 figure

Total retail trade, not seasonally adjusted, by Canadian business recorded an increase of 8.8 per cent in March 1985 over that of the same month in 1984 to \$9 971.9 million. The following table includes the kind of businesses and their March comparisons as surveyed by Statistics Canada:

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Kind of business	March '84 (revised)	March '85 (preliminary)	March '85/ March '84
	(\$ mil	lions)	per cent
Combination stores (groceries and meat)	1 975.5	2 003.9	1.4
Grocery, confectionery and sundries	446.8	487.2	9.0
All other food stores	162.9	183.3	12.5
Department stores	807.0	849.1	5.2
General merchandise stores	178.2	188.8	5.9
General stores	147.2	149.6	1.6
Variety stores	79.5	90.1	13.3
Motor vehicle dealers	1 826.3	2 205.6	20.7
Used car dealers	45.0	55.5	23.2
Service stations	761.6	850.5	11.6
Garages	123.8	126.7	2.4
Automotive parts and accessories stores	169.0	172.8	2.2
Men's clothing stores	83.5	92.7	11.1
Women's clothing stores	169.6	197.3	16.3
Family clothing stores	112.1	122.9	9.6
Specialty shoe stores	10.4	12.8	23.2
Family shoe stores	64.4	71.6	11.2
Hardware stores	64.4	72.7	12.9
Household furniture stores	136.7	140.8	3.0
Household appliance stores	34.2	40.7	18.9
Furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores	61.6	67.9	10.1
Pharmacies, patent medicine, cosmetics	375.5	407.0	8.3
Book and stationery stores	39.8	45.0	12.9
Florists	31.9	33.8	6.1
Jewellery stores	47.6	50.4	5.9
Sporting goods and accessories stores	115.1	117.6	2.1
Personal accessories stores	110.2	117.3	6.5
All other stores	985.2	1 018.3	3.3
Total, all stores	9 165.0	9 971.9	8.8

# From sea to sea: one-legged runner aids cancer research

Steve Fonyo, the determined young man from Vernon, British Columbia, who lost his left leg to cancer when he was 12 years old, has completed his cross-Canada, 7 924-kilometre "Journey for Lives" run to raise money for cancer research.

Having experienced every variation in Canada's geography and climate, Steve Fonyo dipped his artificial leg in the Pacific Ocean in driving rain on May 29, 14 months after starting his run on March 30, 1984, during a snowstorm in St. John's, Newfoundland, where he dipped his leg in the Atlantic Ocean. (See Canada Weekly, January 23, 1985.)

During his run, Steve Fonyo met numerous challenges and overcame many hurdles. Until he passed the point near Thunder Bay where Terry Fox's "Marathon of Hope" came to an end, he was compared to the first young man who attempted the run across Canada. Terry Fox was forced to quit his run in 1980 because of a recurrence of cancer. He died on June 28, 1981.

### Many artificial limbs

Using seven manufactured legs for the run, Steve Fonyo often experienced medical difficulties including bleeding, blisters, pain and infection in the stump of his left leg. Over the last few weeks, his run slowed to a walk as he endured the pain of tendonitis in his right leg.

Arriving in Winnipeg, Manitoba, on January 31, after logging more than 5 000 kilometres, he had raised about \$600 000. As he crossed the prairies and especially after he entered his home province of British Columbia, enthusiasm for his efforts increased dramatically and he was met and encouraged by supporters along the route as well as the influx of donations for cancer research.

By the end of the run, Canadians from coast to coast had contributed about \$5.8 million to the Journey for Lives run and the Alberta government, which had announced that it would match all contributions made in the province, donated an additional \$1.8 million. The British Columbia government announced it would contribute \$1 000 for every kilometre he travelled in the province.

### Fund established

At the official ceremony celebrating the end of Fonyo's cross-Canada run in support of cancer education, services to cancer patients and cancer research, the federal government announced that a grant of \$1 million would be given to the Canadian Cancer Society for the establishment of the Stephen Fonyo Fund.



Steve Fonyo dips his artificial leg in the Pacific Ocean after completing his 7 924-kilometre Journey for Lives run across Canada to raise money for cancer research.

"The Fonyo Fund is one way the people of Canada can recognize the tremendous will and drive of this young man and the hope he has given to us all," said Health and Welfare Minister Jake Epp. "He is an outstanding example of what the youth of this country can do to surmount seemingly impossible obstacles. He is indeed a fitting ambassador for Canada's youth in this International Year for Youth," he added.

The Stephen Fonyo Fund will focus on two sides of cancer control: supporting families of children with cancer and helping primary care physicians to better their skills in cancer prevention, early detection and treatment.

Half of the fund will be used to establish a national co-ordinating secretariat to provide encouragement, direction and support to local self-help groups across Canada for parents with children who have cancer.

The other half will provide Stephen Fonyo Training Fellowships to some 125 general practitioners over the next five years. The doctors will be given a month's specialized training at cancer control and treatment clinics in each province, with special attention to pain management as well as palliative and rehabilitative care. They will also carry back to their practices a greater emphasis on healthy life-styles, cancer prevention and early diagnosis.

### Student business centres

The Ontario Ministry of Industry and Trade is creating innovation centres for business development at York University, Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Centennial College, George Brown College and Humber College. Each of the Toronto area universities and colleges will match the funding received from the government.

Industry and Trade Minister Andy Brandt said the on-campus innovation centres "will strengthen the links between the university and the private sector and encourage development of entrepreneurs within the post-secondary environment".

The facilities are part of a network of innovation centres at universities and community colleges across the province being funded through the Ministry of Industry and Trade.

Mr. Brandt said that "these centres are a \$6.725-million component of the Enterprise Ontario program, which seeks to ensure that we have a healthy small business community, that our companies have the latest technology and that our schools and training programs provide the right skills and entrepreneurial spirit".

The role of the centres will be to provide business advice and counselling to students and faculty wishing to commercialize products and processes; to provide a brokerage service between post-secondary entrepreneurs and the private sector; and to market the universities' and colleges' resources to help industry develop new products and processes.

## Distinguished entrepreneur

Paul G. Desmarais was presented with the first International Distinguished Entrepreneur Award recently at a dinner in his honour in Winnipeg, Manitoba. The award was established this year by the University of Manitoba to honour a business executive who has achieved international stature, outstanding entrepreneurial success and made an exemplary contribution to the economic life of Canada at an international level.

Mr. Desmarais, who was born in Sudbury, Ontario, in 1927, is chancellor of Memorial University of Newfoundland and is chairman of the fund-raising campaign for the University of Montreal. He has received honorary degrees from seven universities and in 1984 was named an Officer of the Order of Canada. He is chairman of Power Corp. of Canada and director of a number of firms. In 1978, he led the first Canadian senior businessmen's mission to China.

# News of the arts

### Literary awards

Czechoslovakian Josef Skvorecky of Toronto and Montrealer Jacques Brault were named winners of the 1984 Governor General's Awards for fiction. They, along with the winners in other categories, received \$5 000.

Mr. Skvorecky, an English professor at the University of Toronto, won in the English-language section with *The Engineer of Human Souls*, his first novel with a Canadian setting. Mr. Brault won in the French section with *Agonies*, a tale that merges poetic and narrative forms.

Other English-language winners were: Sandra Gwyn in non-fiction for *The Private Capital: Ambition and Love in the Age of Macdonald and Laurier;* Judith Thompson in drama for *White Biting Dog;* and Paulette Jiles in poetry for *Celestial Navigation*.

The French-language winners were: Jean Hamelin and Nicole Gagnon in non-fiction for Le XX<sup>e</sup> siècle: Histoire du catholicisme québécois, Volumes I and II; René-Daniel Dubois in drama for Ne blamez jamais les Bedouins; and Nicole Brossard in poetry for Double Impression.

### **Artists reflect romantic values**

Young Romantics, an exhibition of recent paintings by eight young Vancouver artists, ranging in age from 22 to 35, is on view at the Vancouver Art Gallery until August 25.

The exhibition, which celebrates the United Nations Year of the Youth, was funded by the Canada Council and the government of British Columbia through the cultural fund and the lottery fund.

Each of the artists — Graham Gillmore, Angela Grossmann, Philippe Raphanel, Charles Rea, Derek Root, Mina Totino, Attila Richard Lukacs and Vicky Marshall — is represented in the exhibition by four large-scale works.

Scott Watson, exhibition curator at the Vancouver Gallery, described the group as "the most vital young generation of painters the city has been since the Sixties. They are artists who paint with passion and energy. Their work reflects the reappearance of romantic values — the individual and his fate, fascination with the irrational and interest in the local or regional".

Mr. Watson added that "their work has



Charles Rea's Tissue of the Soul is on view in the Young Romantics exhibition in Vancouver.

a rawness that is challenging and sometimes exhilarating". He also suggested that "the bold imagery and energetic application of paint serve to make works which stand apart from — perhaps in opposition to — the slick, polished look of the image-culture we live in".

### Ottawa pianist wins international Bach competition

Canadian pianist Angela Hewitt won the \$15 000 Continental Bank of Canada first prize in The 1985 International Bach Piano Competition held in Toronto, Ontario, May 1 to 12. The first prize also includes a debut solo album on Deutsche Grammophon with international distribution and 21 engagements in Canada, the US and Europe.

Presented in association with the Continental Bank of Canada, the competition was a one-time benefit for the Glenn Gould Memorial Foundation on the occasion of the three-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Johann Sebastian Bach. The winner was selected by a distinguished international jury. (See *Canada Weekly* April 3, 1985.)

### Four finalists

Miss Hewitt was selected over three other finalists: Konstanze Eickhorst of the Federal Republic of Germany who won the \$10 000 Sony of Canada Prize; Evgeni Koroliov of the USSR who won the \$5 000 City of Toronto Prize; and Boris Slutsky of the US who won the \$2 500 Gold Circle Insurance Company Prize. The awards were presented at the Prizewinners' Concert at Roy Thomson Hall on May 12 by Governor General Jeanne Sauvé.

The finalists were selected from 33 pianists from 15 countries who came to Toronto



Angela Hewitt is congratulated after winning the 1985 Bach piano competition.

to participate in the competition on May 1. The 33 had been chosen from 166 applications from 38 countries.

The final concert was held on May 11 in Roy Thomson Hall in Toronto after two weeks of intense musical activity. Miss Hewitt's selections for the concert were Bach's Concerto No. 7 in G minor, and the section from the Liszt Années de Pèlerinage, Book II

entitled Après une lecture de Dante.

Born in Ottawa, Ontario, Miss Hewitt, 26, began her piano studies at the age of three and gave her first solo recital at Toronto's Royal Conservatory of Music when she was nine. By the time she was 17, she was involved in international competition.

### Distinguished career

Miss Hewitt has received many awards in Canada, the United States and Europe. In 1978 she won first prize in the International Viotti Competition in Vercelli, Italy. She has also been a top prizewinner in the International Bach Competitions of Washington (1975) and Leipzig (1976), in the Schumann Competition in Zwickau (1977), in the Casadesus Competition in Cleveland (1979), and in the Dino Ciani Competition at La Scala in Milan (1980).

In addition to playing with many orchestras including the National Symphony of Washington, the Toronto, Montreal and Quebec Symphonies, and the National Arts Centre Orchestra in Ottawa, Miss Hewitt performs regularly on national radio and television. Her first record of works by Franck and various Canadian composers was released by Radio Canada International in 1980. She has lived in Europe since 1978 and gives frequent recitals in France, Italy, Belgium, England, Switzerland, and Poland, as well as in Canada and the United States.

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### **News briefs**

Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark has announced that Canada condemns the South African attack on Gaborone, the capital of Botswana. He stated that Canada deplores violence from any quarter and supports peaceful change in South Africa. "It condemns this further act of crossborder violence and urges South Africa to respect the sovereignty and independence of its neighbours," Mr. Clark said.

Minister for International Trade James F. Kelleher visited Washington, June 19-20. to discuss current trade issues with Congressional leaders and Ambassador Clayton Yeutter, the United States trade representative designate. Mr. Kelleher set out the Canadian position on recent US protectionist actions and proposals threatening a range of Canadian exports including lumber, steel, hogs and pork and other agricultural and fish products. Following the discussions, Canada's

trade minister said that US politicians appear open to a comprehensive trade pact with Canada. Mr. Kelleher also led a delegation of senior steel company executives that met with Senator John Heinz, chairman of the Senate steel caucus, and the House Congressional steel caucus to review developments in Canada/US steel trade.

Eastern Canadian premiers and governors from the New England states agreed to a new deal on June 17 to reduce sulphur dioxide emissions in their regions by 32 per cent over the next nine years. The Acid Rain Reduction Plan, called an historic agreement by the premiers and governors, relies heavily on participation by their federal governments and private industry.

The Canadian International Development Agency will increase to \$1 million its contribution to the United Nations for emergency co-ordination activities in Africa. The money will be divided equally between the United Nations Development Program and the recently created UN Office for Emergency Operations in Africa.

The Export Development Corporation has announced a \$136 697 (US) allocation under a line of credit agreement with Bank Hapoalim B.M. of Israel to support a sale by Ceeco Machinery Manufacturing Limited of Concord, Ontario, to Israel. The sale involves the supply of two double-twist twinning machines to Datic Cable Works Limited of Haifa.

Fine Limited of Toronto, Ontario has announced the development of an integrated media estimating and financial system for the advertising industry. In addition to features of currently available packages. Fine's software includes: CPR/CPM (cost per rating/cost per thousand) trend data, flexible demos, traffic reports, and provision for multiple spot input.

Northern Telecom Limited of Mississauga, Ontario has completed an agreement valued at about \$25 million to supply three fully digital telecommunications switches to Mercury Communications Limited of Britain. The DMS-250 switches will be installed in London, Birmingham and Manchester.

Canada will host an international symposium on drought in Africa, August 12-14 in Ottawa. The meeting is being jointly sponsored by the International Development Research Centre, the Canadian International Development Agency and the International Council of Scientific Unions. Its purpose is to bring together scientists and donor agencies to focus on the drought raging in both Sub Saharan and Southern Africa.

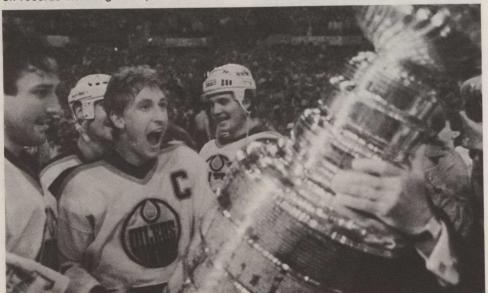
Bilateral air agreements have been signed with two Commonwealth Caribbean countries, Barbados and St. Kitts-Nevis, giving Air Canada greater access to the eastern Caribbean and South American markets. Under the Barbados agreement, Air Canada can fly to the tourist island from any city in Canada via three intermediary Caribbean points and continue from Barbados to South America and other southern Caribbean countries. In return, an airline to be designated by Barbados will be able to fly to Montreal, Toronto and Calgary. In the agreement with St. Kitts-Nevis, BWIA International will fly between the country and Toronto and Montreal in Canada.

# Second straight Stanley Cup for Oilers

The Edmonton Oilers hockey team, last year's Stanley Cup winners, used their highpowered offence, to beat the Philadelphia Flyers 8-3 on May 30 and win the best-ofseven final series four games to one. The Oilers' eight goals were a new single-game record for a team in a Stanley Cup final series. The previous record was seven, set by the Toronto Maple Leafs in 1948.

But it was only one of 25 playoff records the Oilers set. Wayne Gretzky set five playoff records including most points, 47, and assists, 30. He also scored three gamewinners and was named the winner of the Conn Smythe Trophy as the outstanding player in the playoffs.

During regular 1984-85 season play, Wayne Gretzky led the scoring statistics with 73 goals and 135 assists in 80 games. He won the Art Ross Trophy as scoring champion and his sixth consecutive Hart Trophy as the league's most valuable player. Gordie Howe is the only other player to have captured the award six times.



Wayne Gretzky (centre) cheers as he receives the Stanley Cup for the second consecutive year on behalf of the Edmonton Oilers after defeating Philadelphia in the finals.

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